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U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY, REGION 2

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Robert Law, Ph.D. de maximis, inc. 186 Center Street, Suite 290 Clinton, New Jersey 08809

Re: River Mile 10.9 Removal Action Final Construction Report for the Lower Passaic River Study Area, Revision 2, dated April 20, 2017

Dear Dr. Law:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) reviewed the River Mile 10.9 Removal Action Final Construction Report for the Lower Passaic River Study Area, Revision 2, dated April 20, 2017 prepared by CH2MHill pursuant to the Administrative Settlement Agreement and Order on Consent for Removal Action, Docket No. 02-2012-2015 (Agreement).

EPA finds the CPG's proposed edits to be acceptable and has no further comments on this document. This document was submitted in accordance with Paragraph 29 of the Agreement. However, the long-term monitoring plan is still under development and the final determination on how to address the area of the 10.9 removal action that was not dredged due to a utility crossing will be evaluated in the Feasibility Study which is now underway for the upper nine miles of the Lower Passaic River. Therefore, EPA will defer issuing a Notice of Completion under Paragraph 90 of the Agreement. If there are any questions or clarifications needed, please contact me to discuss.

Sincerely,

Michael Sivak, Chief

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